

APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT – CATAWBA COUNTY, NC – “CLAY MINING”

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Taylor Clay Products, Inc. is applying for a special use permit to mine “clay” for brick manufacture on the property of Dennis Lutz, property being just south of Rocky Ford Road, just west of US 321.

A State Mining Permit was granted by the State on November 5, 2015. A stormwater permit has also been obtained from the State.

The operation plan is as follows:

The clay lies in a horizontal vein of varying thickness, generally running between 6 and 12’. There is virtually no overburden, with simply a foot of topsoil covering the clay. The clay will be extracted with a backhoe and loaded directly on to trucks for removal from the site. Topsoil is saved and will be used for reclamation. The pit will operate intermittently on an annual basis, with operating hours from dawn to dusk, with no night work. The pit should provide materials for 5 to 7 years. Approximately 5000 cubic yards of clay will be mined annually. A sediment basin has been established and will increase in size going north as mining continues. The basin serves as a sediment containment structure as required by NCDENR. The final reclamation plan will include leaving a lake/pond.